

EC-6594. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus Thuringiensis VIP3A Insect Control Protein and the Genetic Material Necessary for its Production in Cotton; Extension of a Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 7772-7) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6595. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Georgia: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 8161-2) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6596. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OMB Approvals Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Technical Amendment" (FRL No. 8161-7) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6597. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments to the Highway and Nonroad Diesel Regulations" (FRL No. 8161-9) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 2683. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-cyanopyridine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM:

S. 2684. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Mixed Xylidines; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. 2685. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain textured rolled glass sheets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. STEVENS (for himself and Mr. INOUE):

S. 2686. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 2687. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to stabilize the amount of the Medicare part B premium; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ISAKSON:

S. 2688. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage private philanthropy; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. COLLINS:

S. 2689. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase certain alternative fuel and vehicle tax incentives and to eliminate certain tax incentives for major integrated oil companies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR:

S. Res. 456. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on the discussion by the North Atlantic Council of secure, sustainable, and reliable sources of energy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CRAIG, and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. Res. 457. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the citizens of the United States and the United States Government have serious concerns regarding the release of convicted terrorist and murderer Mohammad Ali Hammadi by the Government of Germany; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. FRIST, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. SANTORUM, and Mr. TALENT):

S. Res. 458. A resolution affirming that statements of national unity, including the National Anthem, should be recited or sung in English; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DODD:

S. Con. Res. 90. A concurrent resolution acknowledging African descendants of the transatlantic slave trade in all of the Americas with an emphasis on descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean, recognizing the injustices suffered by these African descendants, and recommending that the United States and the international community work to improve the situation of Afro-descendant communities in Latin America and the Caribbean; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. Con. Res. 91. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President should posthumously award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Leroy Robert "Satchel" Paige; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 283

At the request of Mrs. DOLE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 283, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit for the transportation of food for charitable purposes.

S. 331

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 331, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an assured adequate level of funding for veterans health care.

S. 368

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 368, a bill to provide assistance to reduce teen pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and other sexually transmitted diseases and to support healthy adolescent development.

S. 619

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr.

REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 619, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 843

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) were added as cosponsors of S. 843, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to combat autism through research, screening, intervention and education.

S. 1035

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) were added as cosponsors of S. 1035, a bill to authorize the presentation of commemorative medals on behalf of Congress to Native Americans who served as Code Talkers during foreign conflicts in which the United States was involved during the 20th century in recognition of the service of those Native Americans to the United States.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1086, a bill to improve the national program to register and monitor individuals who commit crimes against children or sex offenses.

S. 1358

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1358, a bill to protect scientific integrity in Federal research and policymaking.

S. 1774

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1774, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the activities of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute with respect to research on pulmonary hypertension.

S. 1998

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1998, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to enhance protections relating to the reputation and meaning of the Medal of Honor and other military decorations and awards, and for other purposes.

S. 2025

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) were added as cosponsors of S. 2025, a bill to promote the national security and stability of the United States economy by reducing the dependence of the United States on oil through the use of alternative fuels and new technology, and for other purposes.